

Food Commodities Program

The Pokagon Band Food Commodities Program, developed in conjunction with the USDA and the Pokagon Band, provides nutritious food to qualified citizens.

We are open Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Additional hours maybe arranged by appointment. Members are encouraged to come in or call Commodities at (888) 281-1111 for more information or an application.

Delivery is available to home-bound elders and to those in need. Members are encouraged to contact the Commodities Site Supervisor to arrange this service. The program is closed the last two days of each month for inventory.

General requirements:

- 1. Complete <u>application</u>.
- 2. At least one member of your household must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized Indian tribe. You must have an enrollment card as documentation.
- 3. You must live in the service area.
- 4. You must meet the income guidelines based on household size as set forth by the USDA.
- 5. You cannot receive food stamps and food commodities simultaneously. If you are currently receiving food stamps and wish to receive commodities instead you must first contact the DHS and have your food stamp assistance case closed.
- 6. You must provide income documentation. This may include three current check stubs for all members of the household employed and 18 years of age or older. We also need documentation of SSI, pension, child support, stipends etc. If you are self-employed, you may bring your tax form information. Other documentation may be required.
- 7. Complete a zero income form if # 6 does not apply.



Please Note: There is a USDA regulation in regard to areas where the population exceeds 10,000. If you live in a city or town, area that exceeds this limit we are prohibited from serving you and must refer you to seek assistance through the Department of Human Services assigned to your County.

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